PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING



Merrimack River Watershed Wetland Restoration Plan

The NH Department of Environmental Services invites towns, cities, landowners and others interested in the Merrimack River watershed to come learn about the results of a recently completed wetland restoration plan. The plan identifies wetlands that may be impacted by past land uses and which may benefit from environmental restoration. The plan can be used by communities to implement programs to restore, protect or create aquatic habitats. State funding for these efforts is now available through the newly established "Aquatic Resource Mitigation Fund."

February 17, 7 – 9 p.m.

PSNH Energy Park, Five Rivers Auditorium 780 N Commercial St, Manchester, NH

Meeting Objectives

- To review the methods and findings of the Wetland Restoration Plan Project
- To discuss example restoration plans for a few sites in the watershed
- To learn about the Aquatic Resource Mitigation Fund and how these funds can help watershed communities improve the environment

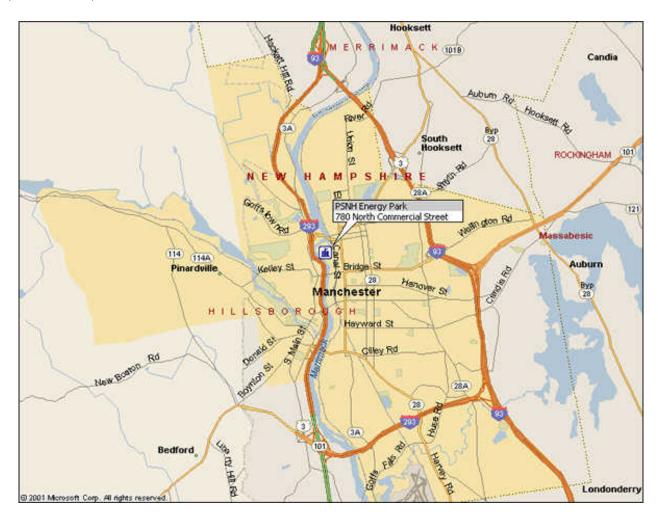
Meeting Agenda

	Brief Introduction and Background Overview of the Aquatic Resource Mitigation Fund and the purpose of the Merrimack Watershed Wetland Restoration Plan
	Primer of Wetland Restoration and Preservation A review of methods used to restore, enhance, create and protect wetland resources
	Overview of the Study Methodology Presentation on the methodology used to identify and rank restoration sites
	Presentation of Results Discussion of the sites identified during the study and presentation of example restoration plans for a few top-ranked sites
	Applying for a ARM Fund Grant Review of the grant application and review process Questions and adjourn

Thank you for Attending! Need more information? Have comments? Contact Lori Sommer at (603) 271-4059 or Lori.Sommer@des.nh.gov

Directions to PSNH Energy Park

Public Service of New Hampshire's corporate offices are located at PSNH Energy Park, 780 North Commercial Street, Manchester, N.H.



From Southern New England

Travel north on either Route 3, Everett Turnpike, or Route 93. Both highways connect to I-293 North. Take Route 293 to Exit 6 (Amoskeag Bridge). Stay straight to go onto Front Street. Turn slight right onto Amoskeag Street, which becomes Amoskeag Bridge. Exit right off the bridge onto Canal Street. At the first set of lights turn right onto N. Commercial Street.

From Northern New England

Travel south on Route 93 to Route 293. Take Route 293 to Exit 6 (Amoskeag Bridge). Right onto Eddy Road. Exit the rotary on the right after the Ramada Inn at Amoskeag Falls. Exit right off the bridge and onto Canal Street. At the first set of lights turn right onto N. Commercial Street.